





## RUSSIA AND THE KIAOCHAU AFFAIR.

As an instance of the very shallow views that some journalists take of the late war, it is worth noting that the Japanese take to the German action, it is the only one that is not a mere repetition of the old story. It is really just the opposite. Russia considers that Kiaochow Bay is her property, and that if anyone is to be aggrieved at the German action, it is she and not China. We learn that when the news of the seizure was made public at Peking, the action of the Russian *Changchi* of *Agoria* was as characteristic as it was dramatic. He posted off to the Japanese Yacht with an assumed air of indignation, and "there's a nice state of things," he said to the Russian Minister and his staff, "you gave us Kiaochow Bay and now you're giving it to Germany?" "Given it? Why, it's been stolen from us, and we were just going to ask you to help us get it back!" "What! Help you, after such treachery as that! It was sheer treachery to us, you never fired a single shot! If you had fired one shot against the Germans, I might believe that you didn't give it. If the Germans had attacked you on the sea, I could understand your giving in, but you never gave a shot; but to let them attack you on land, and not fire a single shot in your own defense, of course it was treachery, and you will get no help from us." And thus Russia is already obliging Germany, and at the same time getting out of her undertaking to come to China's assistance when she is in difficulties. It is not in vain that Korea is in possession of Port Arthur in respect, Russia has not got further need of Kiaochow Bay.—*N. C. Daily News.*

## SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Orontius*, from Amoy 10th Dec, had strong westerly and heavy weather.

The German ship *Columbus*, from New York 25th July, last, strong N.E. monsoon, blowing a gale on the N.W. of the 10th inst.

The British steamer *Cheongchee*, from Singapore 3rd Dec, had steady N.E. wind and fine weather to Peking; thence to Port Strong and sea with clouds; on the 10th inst. the British steamer *Waka*, from Wuhu and Chinkiang 6th Dec, had fine weather from Wooming to Hsienan. From Hsienan to Port Strong N.E. monsoon, high sea and dull cloudy weather to arrival.

The British steamer *Jawa*, from London and Singapore 5th Dec, had strong monsoon and high sea from London to a strong gale with very high sea. On the 10th inst. the British steamer *Hawlong*, from Tamsui 10th Dec, and *Waka*, from Tamsui 10th Dec, had strong N.E. monsoon and heavy sea to Amoy. From Amoy to Port Strong N.E. monsoon, high sea and dull cloudy weather to arrival.

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## NOTICE TO MARINERS.

No. 77 (SPECIAL).  
CHINA SEA.  
FOOCHOW DISTRICT.  
HATIAN STRAIT, RANGE  
DEACON ESTABLISHED.  
NOTICE is hereby given that two Range Beacons have been established on the north-eastern slope of Pass Island, indicating a bearing of N. 201° W. to guide vessels through the narrow of Wilson Channel, which has been long known to be a dangerous passage. The northern one with a white field and the southern one with a black field and the central portion white. Also that two Range Beacons have been established on the south-eastern slope of Sit Island, with the summit of the island for horizon pointed white with a vertical black stripe in the middle and the point of the Horn Peak directly in line bearing N. 24° W. to guide vessels in the fairway between the reefs which extend from Mitre Rock and the Chin Ning Rocks, lying about 6 cables E.S.E. from Mitre Rock, the highest of which rises 5 feet above low water springs.

Each of these beacons has a triangular top being painted white with a vertical black stripe in the middle—the triangle on the northern one being inverted.

DIRECTIONS.  
According to soundings obtained during the present month, a vessel bound to the northward should keep the bearing on Pass Island in line from the time when Quin Hill is on with Tyno Yung Shan Peak, bearing about W. 3° S. till the southern end of the middle one of the Rocky Islands is directly in line with the point of Horn Peak, then the bearing should be W. 3° S. and then N. 3° E. to pass about 3 cables to the eastward of Black Rocks. The least depth found with the beacons in line was 15 feet at Low Water of the lowest spring tide about half way between the north side of Middle Island and with Town Point, and the least bearing given above.

The Beacons on Sit Island, if brought in line with Horn Peak, will lead well clear of all known dangers.

All bearings given are magnetic.

A. M. EISENBERG,  
Coast Surveyor.

Imperial Maritime Customs,  
Coast Inspector's Office,  
Shanghai, 22nd November, 1897. [2775]

## KIUNGCHOW DISTRICT.

## LOCAL NOTICE TO MARINERS.

## HAINAN STRAITS.

## HAINAN HEAD BANK BUOY.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Hainan Head Bank Buoy has been moved to its new position.

Due notice will be given when it is replaced in position.

C. J. PRICE,  
Harbour Master.

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J. F. SCHONICKER,  
Commissioner of Customs.

Custom House,  
Kuangchow, 22nd December, 1897. [2815]

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Hongkong, 11th December, 1897. [2820]

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HONGKONG, 4th September, 1897. [38]

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MAP OF THE STRAITS OF WEST  
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From HONGKONG TO WUHOANG,  
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Open to Foreign Trade, 1897.  
Published at Daily Press Office.  
Price 25 Cents, Cash.  
Hongkong, 1st April, 1897. [834]

## THE GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 31st  
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portion of the 500 MORTGAGE DEBENTURES  
issued on the 31st day of January, 1892, will be  
redeemed and paid off to the holders  
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Hongkong, 20th November, 1897. [2729]

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Hongkong, 18th October, 1897. [2846]

## INTIMATIONS.

## CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-  
pany will be CLOSED from the 18th to  
the 31st inst., both days inclusive.  
JARDINE, MATTHEWSON & CO.,  
General Agents,  
Canton Insurance Office, Limited,  
Hongkong, 11th December, 1897. [2817]

## THE PUNJON MINING COMPANY, LIMITED, IN LIQUIDATION.

## NOTICE TO HOLDERS OF "ORDINARY" SHARES.

THOSE Shareholders who have neglected  
to register an address in Hongkong with  
the Company and who have not received  
a copy of my Circular letter dated the 18th  
November, are hereby notified as follows—  
At the General Meeting of the P. M. Co.  
held on the 15th day of the 24th day of  
October, 1897, and the 13th day of November,  
1897, respectively, the following special Resolutions  
were duly passed and confirmed respectively—

1.—That it is desirable to reconstruct the  
Company, and accordingly that the Com-  
pany be wound up voluntarily, and that  
James Derwick Duncan, Esq., be and he  
is hereby appointed Liquidator for the  
purpose of such winding up.

2.—That the said Liquidator be and he is  
hereby authorized to consent to the re-  
constitution of a new Company, to be  
named The P. M. Co. (Limited), with a  
Memorandum of Association which have  
already been prepared and approved by the  
approval of the Directors of this Com-  
pany.

3.—That the draft agreement submitted to  
this meeting and expressed to be made  
between the Liquidator and the new Com-  
pany, and the said Liquidator be and he is  
hereby authorized, pursuant to the pro-  
visions of Section 143 of the Companies  
Ordinance, 1884, to enter into an agree-  
ment with such new Company when in-  
corporated in the terms of the said draft,  
and to carry the same into effect with  
such (if any) modifications as he thinks  
expedient.

In conformity with the above special Reso-  
lutions, The P. M. Co. (Limited), has been  
incorporated under the Companies Ordinance,  
Hongkong, with a nominal Capital of \$50,000,  
divided into 50,000 Ordinary Shares of \$1 each,  
and 50,000 Preference Shares of \$1 each and  
the amount (referred to in the third of the  
Resolutions) has been allotted.

At a meeting of the P. M. Co. (Limited), the  
P. M. Co. (Limited), Limited, in liquidation,  
are (under the agreement) entitled to an allotment  
in the new Company, of the same number  
of Ordinary Shares of \$1 each as they held  
of Ordinary Shares of \$1 each in the old  
Company.

In order to obtain an allotment of the Ordinary  
Shares, Shareholders must first pay to the  
new Company's Bankers, The Hongkong and  
Shanghai Banking Corporation (Limited),  
the sum of One Dollar per Ordinary Share  
and having obtained the Banker's receipt must  
fill up and sign an application letter to be  
obtained from the Liquidator, and the  
said application letter must be forwarded to  
the Liquidator together with the said receipt  
and the Certificates for the Shares held by  
them in the Old Company to the new Com-  
pany at their Offices, 8, Praya Central, Hong-  
kong, on or before the 30th day of December,  
1897.

Share Certificates will be then issued by the  
new Company in respect of the Ordinary  
Shares acknowledged by the Liquidator, and  
\$4 received as paid and \$1 paid on applica-  
tion.

If no application as above mentioned is  
received on or before the said 30th day of  
December, 1897, the Liquidator shall con-  
sidered to have sold under the provisions of the  
said agreement all Shares for which an application  
might have been sent in.

Liquidator of The P. M. Co. (Limited),  
JAMES B. DUNCAN,  
Hongkong, 20th November, 1897. [2866]

## THE PUNJON MINING COMPANY, LIMITED, IN LIQUIDATION.

## NOTICE TO HOLDERS OF "PREFERENCE" SHARES.

THOSE Holders of Preference Shares who  
have neglected to leave an address in  
Hongkong with the Company and have there-  
fore not received a copy of my Circular letter  
dated the 15th November, are hereby requested  
to apply to me at the Office of the Company  
for any information.

Reference—Dr. ATKINSON, Government  
Civil Hospital, Dr. JOSEPH, Port Office of  
Health, and Drs. HARTMAN, STEPHAN, and  
REINOLD—152, Praya West.

Hongkong, 6th December, 1897. [2761]

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Hongkong, 4th August, 1897. [2704]

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on the 11th December, 1897, and confirmed on  
the 24th December, 1897, and in consequence  
of the death of JOHN DAVID HUMPHREYS  
on the 8th instant, the firm of JOHN DAVID  
HUMPHREYS & SONS, has become the General  
Managers of the Company.

By Order,  
A. H. MANCILLI,  
Hongkong, 23rd November, 1897. [2834]

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Hongkong, 1st December, 1897. [114]

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Hongkong, 27th October, 1897. [15]

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Hongkong, 3rd June, 1897. [16]

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T. JACKSON,  
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Hongkong, 1st August, 1895. [113]

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Hongkong, 9th November, 1897. [12]

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Superintendent of that Institution, educated at  
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Reference—Dr. ATKINSON, Government  
Civil Hospital, Dr. JOSEPH, Port Office of  
Health, and Drs. HARTMAN, STEPHAN, and  
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Hongkong, 6th December, 1897. [2761]

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